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BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Government.

Among all the changes which have taken place since the beginning of the present century, in the methods of conducting our higher institutions of learning, none is more marked than the one with reference to the government of the student body.

Bowdoin College was essentially modeled after Harvard, and along with similar requirements in scholarship, it adopted from the older institution practically the same rules and regulations for the conduct of its undergraduates. These rules, as was the case in nearly all colleges at that period, were very strict. Monitors kept sharp watch on the doings of the students, and at once reported the slightest delinquency. Severe punishment was inflicted for trifling offences. It was virtually assumed that the students occupied a position antagonistic to the faculty, and hence the only way to secure proper conduct was through fear of punishment in case certain prescribed rules were transgressed. The students were thus treated as children, and not like young men capable of determining for themselves what proper conduct might be.

This system, variously modified, prevailed for a considerable period; but after a time, several causes made more and more manifest the necessity for a change. In the first place, the antagonism assumed between the faculty and the students, caused much friction that otherwise might have been avoided. Secondly, as the old puritanic strictness in the discipline of children at home was outgrown, it became more and more difficult for young men to submit to the unusual restraint put upon them in college.

Last, but not least in importance, came the fact that the average age of the student was four years more than it had been at an earlier date.

These causes led the faculties of many institutions to lay aside the old despotic system, and adopt a more rational scheme, the fundamental idea of which was, that the students should coöperate with the faculty in the administration of justice.

Bowdoin College was among the first to take this step, and in 1882 adopted the system now in use. The students are represented by a jury, which at present consists of nine members, one being chosen from each class, and one from each of the five chapters of intercollegiate fraternities.

The president of the college represents the faculty. He is not a member of the jury, but his relation to it is rather that of a judge to a civil jury. The power and duties of these representatives are set forth in the "Articles of Agreement between the Students and Faculty," a copy of which is put in the hands of every man upon entering college.

All grave offences are brought before the jury for investigation. After procuring all the facts possible, carefully considering the circumstances, and receiving assistance from the president if necessary, this body renders its verdict and imposes punishment. The president may then enforce this punishment, or he may remit it either wholly or in part, but he has no power to increase it.

Matters like attendance on required exercises and recitations, together with conduct in the class-room are regulated by the president and the several class officers; but such cases as from their nature deserve a penalty, properly come before the jury. The result of adopting this plan was at first somewhat doubtful; but

thanks to the cordial support of the students, and the wise conduct of the faculty, it has operated in a manner eminently gratifying to every friend of the college. Its good effects were apparent from the very first. There was a marked diminution in the number of offences, so that it has more than once happened that a whole year has passed without the jury being called upon to act. The students felt that the responsibility of good conduct no longer rested entirely with the faculty, but devolved in a measure upon themselves.

Instead of having their actions restricted by a long list of regulations, all that was required was for them to conform to the rules of gentlemanly conduct, and to have a proper regard for the rights of others.

This appeal to the manliness and sense of honor in the individual was most potent in effect. It has had much to do with the decline in the custom of hazing, once so prevalent, and has largely done away with the bitterness of class rivalry.

The advent of the new system entirely rooted out that hostility which too often existed between students and faculty under the old regime, and brought them into most amicable relations with each other—a result which clearly tends to increase the amount of benefit to be derived from a college education.

A. S. Dyer, '87.

FALL.

Now fallen leaves bedeck the ground
And gunners slay the hare,
And corn and pumpkins are harvested
For the prize at the county fair.
As the weather is growing colder
We are reminded, one and all,
To go and redeem our overcoats,
'Tis the coming of the fall.

—Hand made at this office.

FROM WHEAT TO BREAD.

We see a cosy little dining room with the table spread for a New England six-o'clock supper, consisting of tea, cake, apple-sauce and piles of snowy white bread, the neat housewife's pride, and the main article of food. As we sit in the comfortable room and eat of this wholesome food, do we ever think of the toil, time and money spent in the production of a single loaf? Let us look at this a moment. First observe the immense quantities of wheat raised in our country annually. Our great wheat fields are in the west, and cover hundreds of miles of territory. After the wheat is ripe, it is harvested in a wonderfully rapid manner.

The ingenuity of the machinery is very interesting. The reaper, which is run by two horses, cuts, lays the grain in bunches, ties it, and throws it off, all ready to be run into the steam thresher, which stands ready in the field. Then it is sent to the great elevators in the cities, where it is sorted and sent to the flour mills. It is then ground, sent to the sample rooms, tested, packed and shipped. Wheat raising and flour making are the chief employments in the west, and for the transportation of the same, many railroads have been built and many canals cut.

Washburn and Co. of Minneapolis, Minn. have the largest flour mill in the world, and they ship two thousand barrels of flour a day. It seems a great many, but then, when we think of it and realize the vast number of people who are depending upon this mill for their daily bread, it does not seem so incredible as at first.

The cook then does her part in mixing, kneading and baking, and we have before us what has been truly called the "Staff of Life."

Composition.

CLASS PARTS.

AS ASSIGNED BY A MEMBER OF THE CLASS.

Benediction,	Isaac Davis
Salutatory,	Lillian Bradeen
Historian,	Richard Milliken
Prophet,	Alice Andrews
Philosopher,	Clarence Parcher
Essay—Art of Writing,	Marcia Carpenter
Essay—How NOT to Grow Fat,	Jennie Barrows
Oration—Lead Bullets as Food,	Frank Hatch
Oration—Fourth Class Kids,	Ralph Littlefield
Sonnet,	Jessie Jordan
Essay—Criticism,	Mary Bowers
Oration—Art of Flirting,	Charles Towne
Special Part,	Ada Hewes
Debate—Democrats and Republicans,	Eva Gilpatric and Kate Stacy
Essay—Boys,	Annie Higgins
Essay—Cows,	Edna Deering
Essay—Phil-(osophy),	Grace Hall
Essay—Blank Verse,	Nettie Buck
Essay—Mirrors and their Uses,	Bertha Haines
Essay—Dudes,	Lora Cummings
Essay—Perfect Deportment,	Virgie Hill

NOTICE.

It has been suggested by the faculty, to add that there is to be no Winking or Chewing of Gum on the Stage, during the exercises.

Memories.

Hark! I hear the school bell ringing,
'Tis the same familiar call!
And I see the students hasten
To the Saco High School Hall,
But I miss familiar faces
Which, when there, I used to greet,
For my class mates now are scattered,
Each, new duties have to meet,
And as memory paints their features
I, for each, would breathe a prayer,
May they find among life's shadows
Rays of sunshine here and there.

To that ancient hall of learning
Often memory will return,
And the precepts of those teachers
From whom we used to learn,
Will be as a lamp to guide us
In what 'ere path we tread,
And will brightly o'er our future
A helpful radiance shed,
And when Time shall close his record
With the members of our class,
May we rank so high in goodness
That to brighter realms we'll pass.

A. D. L. '88

A LOAF OF BREAD.

My mother was sick, my oldest sister had gone away, Friday afternoon came and the bread must be made.

I was told to refer to the cook-book, as my mother was too sick to tell me what to do.

The first thing it told me to do, was to sift three quarts of flour, but I forgot to sift it, and besides, I did not know how much the sifter held, so I took a two-quart pail, and filled it heaping full; and, as I had heard mamma say that it held more than two quarts, I thought that would do.

"Then work in one large teaspoonful of lard," my recipe went on; but, having a great aversion to handling lard, I decided not to work it in, that it would melt when it cooked.

I put in one teaspoonful of sugar, and a little more, as I had a sweet tooth.

After that I got on all right, until I got to kneading ten minutes, when I looked at my dough in dismay.

"Good gracious!" I said. "How in this world shall I ever knead such a soft mess as that?" So I decided that it would do very well without kneading, as it was so soft.

"Let it rise over night." But what was the use? It had risen alarmingly in ten minutes. (for I afterwards discovered that I had put in the whole yeast instead of half, and soda instead of salt.)

So I thought I would surprise mamma and have it all done that afternoon, instead of waiting till the next day.

As it was very, very thin I had to dip it out with a spoon into the pans, (which by the way, I forgot to butter.) I then put it in the oven, and went out to play.

At about 5.30 I came home and smelt an awful smell, which I couldn't describe. I entered the kitchen and instantly my eyes were filled with a blinding smoke, and I was made aware that something was burning.

I won't attempt to describe that bread, but we had baker's bread that night for supper.

I found it so extremely difficult to extricate the bread from the pans, that I gave up in despair and tossed the whole into my next door neighbor's back yard.

I don't know how the boys found it out, but there were many anxious inquiries whether or not I would make bread for supper, but I declined with thanks.

OUR ALUMNI,

'85—Dan'l E. Owen, a senior at Bowdoin, is Prof. Lee's assistant in biology.

'76—Dr. Byron C. Leavitt has just settled in Denver, where he is to practice medicine.

'79—Dr. John W. Bowers is in a university in Berlin, taking a special course in surgery.

'88—W. Hartley Dennett is a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston.

'88—Almira D. Locke is a student at the Bradford Academy for young ladies, at Bradford, Mass.

'83—S. Lewis Moody, who graduated from Columbia this year, is reading law with Strout and Hale in Portland.

'84—Henry A. Hewes was recently married and is now enjoying his honeymoon. Our congratulations, Henry.

'71—Miss May E. Jordan, after having spent a year at her home, has returned to Omaha. Neb., where she is teaching school.

'87—We lately received a call from Chas. J. Andrews of Zanesville, Ohio, where he is assistant paymaster of the Zanesville and Ohio railway. Rumor says that Charles is to remove one of our young ladies to Ohio before long. We extend our congratulations.

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EDITORIAL.

THE TRIPOD extends greeting to its old friends, and welcome to the class of '92. We fully appreciate the many kindnesses received in the past and stand by to receive more in the future.

During the coming year we shall give our readers many interesting letters from the able pens of some of our alumni, situated in different parts of the world.

We consider our columns of sufficient value to the advertiser, to deserve his patronage to a reasonable extent. Our prices for advertising are very low, as much so, as it is possible for us to make them and come out whole.

Contributions from any of our alumni are always gratefully received and will be given prompt attention. We owe our last year subscribers two issues, viz.: Nov and Dec. '88. After November, we hope the above will renew for the remainder of the school year.

THE TRIPOD is on sale at the stores of Kendrick & Co., and Stackpole in Saco.

It seems to be an almost prevalent idea that THE TRIPOD can live and thrive without support. Now, support we must have, or we cannot even exist. It should be the duty of every student in the school to do all in his power to help us and put THE TRIPOD on a firm basis. There is certainly a lack of enterprise with many. Persons without enterprise deserve pity.

Of course THE TRIPOD is an Independent journal, nevertheless, we cannot be otherwise than pleased that such a man as Gen. Harrison is to the next President of the United States. During the late campaign his antagonists were utterly unable to find a spot on his character, by which they could attack him. We are confident that the country, with such a man at its head, will not degenerate to any great extent.

Who said we were late this month? We are not late for here we are. There are no flies on us; if there are, where are they? We couldn't get out an October number, this year, so we didn't. That's why. So, you see. the November number is the first of volume two. Consequently, vol. II will consist of eight issues instead of nine, as before. The subscription price, however, will remain unchanged. Why, of course 'twill. It's cheap enough isn't it? Send in your subscriptions, our books are waiting for them.

EXCHANGES.

The Georgetown Bee is buzzing considerable biography in our ears.

We welcome the *Berwick Scholar* to our sanctum. Come again.

The *High School Graphic* is a creditable sheet from Buzzards Bay, Mass.

The Progressive Youth from Albion, N. Y. will soon rival *Life* in illustrations.

Among others, we welcome the *Orange High School Record*, *Student*, *Youth's Happy Hours Autocrat*, and *Crescent*.

We notice that the editor of the *Monthly Visitor* is a Prohibitionist. Tut, tut, brother Smith, you don't want to go dry.

We are glad to hook our eyes onto the *Empire State Amateur* again. This is one of the oldest Amateur sheets in existence.

Some of the boys will have to get a move on if they want to excel *The Seminary Tatler*, an excellent journal published by young ladies at Stubenville, Ohio.

For "The Tripod."

Psalm of Tennis.

Tell me not in tones so truthful,
Tennis courts are always green
For the grass will not last always,
And the ground quite bare is seen.

Rains are long and time is fleeting,
And the ground will soon be white.
So we wish, though vain the wishing,
That the sun will come out bright.

Not for pleasure, but for practice,
Do we wave our rackets round;
And endeavor that tomorrow
Better players may be found.

When the ball comes, we strike at it,
And we hit one now and then.
We shall never be discouraged,
Though we hit but one in ten.

In the world's broad field of action,
In the bivouac of life,
Let us wave our tennis rackets,
Champion players in the strife.

H. J. B.

NOTES.

Ask Miss Hooper how to pronounce *J'ai*.

Miss Peyser, '90 is noted for the plainness in which she speaks.

Isn't it about time for the seniors to be thinking about class parts?

Rhetoric, B. H.—"The City of the Dogs," for, "The City of the Doges."

It is said that the school year is to be thirty-seven instead of thirty-six weeks.

The foot-ball has got around again and there are many bruised eyes and knees.

There was a first-class slugging match by two members of the fourth class recently.

Davis, '89 has to buy his own blanks, pens, pencils, etc. as he does not have Noyes for a seatmate.

Scamman '90 is talking of selling his banjo. He says that the neighbors do not like his style of playing.

Milliken, '89 has studied Latin for four years but he has not found out that œ is a dipthong in proelium.

Deering, '91 informs us that there are four figures of speech; smele, netaphor, metomemy and schenectady.

Towne meditates writing a geometry. He has already studied out a good rule for a "Straight Curve."

Eng. Lit. A. H.—"The Tale of the Calomes of God and Evil," for "The Table of the colors of Good and Evil."

Charles Sawyer tried to catch a "fly". Was it on his nose, or on the stately elm in front of the Unitarian church?

The second and third classes are obliged to sit "down stairs" this year, as the fourth class is too large for the room.

Webber, '90 has an eyeglass that belonged in the family a century ago. He is now trying to imitate the modern dude.

The senior class numbers twenty-three. The largest class that ever graduated from the school was the class of '85. It numbered twenty.

One day Chase E. undertook to chase a flying tennis ball, but Chase's chase was suddenly dechased as was evident by his unchaste clothes.

The following was translated by Webber, '90 in the Virgil class, recently. "The pilot was thrown overboard head first, and revolved on his head."

In the rhetoric class: "Everybody trembled for themselves and their friends." Corrected by senior: "Everybody trembled for itself and its friends."

Additon, '92 seemed to think that he must apply the steel so as to be in style. We are sorry he did so, as his mustache was an honor to the class.

We fear serious results if Pierce continues to study algebra, as he has a large bunch on his head which he says resulted from overcrowding it with algebra.

Bryant, '90 still preserves the "elegant chromo" that was given him last year in the Cicero class by Mr. Sampson, for the best classification of a pronoun.

Miss Milliken, '91, says that on the moon a boy could throw a stone as far as a rifle could be projected from a bullet; she evidently has not a very good opinion of boys.

"'It snows! it snows!' said little William as he came running home from school one day." We have the pleasure of recording the first event this year as occuring Oct. 9th.

When Thornton Academy at length hath come,
When they've built the new, Old Ladies' "Hum,"
When Biddeford no longer selleth rum;
Then the world will be improved, by gum!

Our fourth class editor was fired upon by one of Parcher's gunboats with quite serious results, while playing foot ball recently. "He took his red bandanna out and wiped his weeping eyes."

Ninety-two scholars this year. We are informed that the school has numbered but one more at any time. That was in the fall of '82, Mr. Sampson's first term, when the membership was ninety-three.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The tennis tournament, in doubles, for the championship of York County, in which the prizes were two racquet bags, took place on the grounds of the Saco High School, on Wednesday, Oct. 31. There were four entries, viz. Bowers and Lane, Hill and Leavitt, Sampson and Eastman, G. Littlefield and J. Noyes. The tournament was called promptly at 1.30. The courts were numbered; number one being the court nearest the school, and number two, the one back of the Unitarian church.

1ST ROUND.

Hill and Leavitt vs. Littlefield and Noyes in No. 1, Bowers and Lane vs. Sampson and Eastman in No. 2. In No. 1, Hill and Leavitt got four straight games against Littlefield and Noyes, when the latter players braced up, winning the next six games and the set, 6—4. In No. 2, Lane and Bowers easily defeated Sampson and Eastman, 6—2.

2ND ROUND.

Bowers and Lane vs. Littlefield and Noyes in No. 1, Hill and Leavitt vs. Sampson and Eastman in No. 2. The set in No. 1 was the prettiest in the tournament, it being nip and tuck from the beginning to the end. Bowers and Lane finally pulled out a victory by the score 6—4. In No. 2 there was another pretty set, Hill and Leavitt winning 6—4.

3RD ROUND.

The third and last round opened with Sampson and Eastman vs. Littlefield and Noyes in No. 1, and Bowers and Lane vs. Hill and Leavitt in No. 2. Littlefield and Noyes easily defeated Sampson and Eastman 6—1, while Bowers and Lane defeated Hill and Leavitt 6—2. This ended the tournament, with Bowers and Lane in first place and Littlefield and Noyes a close second. The following is the summary:

Littlefield and Noyes beat Hill and Leavitt	6—4
Bowers and Lane beat Sampson and Eastman	6—2
Bowers and Lane beat Littlefield and Noyes	6—4
Hill and Leavitt beat Sampson and Eastman	6—4
Littlefield and Noyes beat Sampson and Eastman	6—1
Bowers and Lane beat Hill and Leavitt	6—2

	Sets won	Sets lost
Bowers and Lane	3	0
Littlefield and Noyes	2	1
Hill and Leavitt	1	2
Sampson and Eastman	0	3

TENNIS NOTES.

The poorest season yet for tennis, on account of the continued wet weather. Nevertheless, the enthusiasm is constantly on the increase.

The club now has 37 members. At a recent meeting it was voted that all non-resident members shall be considered honorary and shall be exempt from dues.

The following new members have been admitted to the Club at the various meetings held since the beginning of the term: Sept. 12—William Perry, Ralph Burbank, Chase Eastman, Henry Dennett, Jessie Jordan; Sept. 17—George Carpenter, Ralph Calef; Oct. 1—J. V. Dennett, Nettie Buck; Oct. 6—Marcia Carpenter; Oct. 10—Grace Lowell.

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CHAS. TOWNE.

Lost—A small glass used for drinking (water) purposes in the ante-room. The aforesaid glass has been missing for some time, but has not been advertised before, as I thought it to be only *borrowed* for a short space of period. It seems, however, that it has been STOLEN for permanent use. *Please* bring it back as soon as convenient.

THE OWNER.

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9.00 A. M.		Opening Exercises.		
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9.50	Composition 4,	Geometry 1,	Geometry 3.	
10.30		Intermission.		
10.50	Mental Phil. 1,	Virgil 2,		Book-keeping 4.
11.25				Penmanship 1, 2, 3.
12 M.		Intermission.		
1.30 P. M.	Nat. Philosophy 3,	Virgil 1,	Latin 4.	
2.20	Anabasis 2,		Physiology 2 and 4.	
3.05		Intermission.		
3.12	Cæsar 3,	Algebra 4,	Rhetoric 1.	
4.00		Close of Session.		

SATURDAY.

9.00 A. M.		Opening Exercises.	
9.10		Literature 1,	Literature 4.
9.50	Latin Prose 1,	Literature 3,	Literature 2.
10.30		Intermission.	
10.50		Rhetorical Exercises 1, 2, 3, 4.	
11.30		Spelling 1, 2, 3, 4.	
12.00		Close.	

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